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1. During the period from 10 to 17 September, the Kavallerieschule in Krampnitz near Potsdam (N 53/Z 63) was occupied by 1,200 to 1,500 troops belonging to training units. [REDACTED] individual advance parties arrived in the installation on 16 and 17 September. One of the parties had truck C 7-97-51 with billeting equipment. The bulk of the troops were allegedly to return after Monday, 22 September. Bathing facilities for allegedly two high-ranking officers named Brasnikov (fnu) and Lubyenko (fnu) were installed in one of the quarters. The training units practiced with 80-mm mortars, tanks in the tank sheds and engaged 25X1 in athletic exercises. [REDACTED]

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signal platoon of a headquarters company, confirmed by Gds Sub-Lieutenant
Andreyev (fnu), commanding officer of the signal platoon of Unit APN
52806 A, dated 2 January 1952.²

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[redacted] the Kavallerieschule was
thoroughly reconditioned and renovated including plumbing and recreation
facilities. The first boiler of the central heating installation was fired
up for the first time on 25 September. Uniformed women policed the quarters
of the troops. Wooden boards were removed from the windows and the kitchens
prepared. Most of this work was done in the eastern section of the installation.
Straw mattresses were filled in front of a quarters. Luggage and typewriters
were unloaded in front of the club building on the Potsdam-Berlin Highway No 2
on 24 September. On 25 September, numerous uniformed women policed the kitchen
and other buildings of the central section of the installation. [redacted]
that more uniformed women were at the installation than were observed previously.
The German workers had to work one hour overtime to have the necessary work
completed in time. [redacted]

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During the period from 11 to 17 September, an advance party of officers and EM
from the Delius Kaserne was observed in the Hohenlohe Kaserne on Nedlitzer
Strasse. Two stokers who were also working in the Hohenlohe Kaserne had previously
worked in the Delius Kaserne.³

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On 19 and 20 September, there was not much activity in the Kavallerieschule. Two
T-34 tanks and 15 trucks were seen in the western section of the billeting area.
An officer and 40 men organized into two groups and equipped with spades and
submachine guns marched out of this section of the installation and proceeded
toward Bullenwinkel. [redacted]

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7. During the period from 19 to 24 September, the Kaserne Wildmark-West, east of the large Entenfaenger Lake quartered about 3,000 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets with motor transport insignia. Many trucks were parked inside the billeting area as well as on parking lots in the woods southeast of the installation.

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[redacted], During the same period, the Golm Kaserne quartered a rear unit of 100 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery or motor transport insignia. Troops practiced rifle firing on the target range on 23 September.

8. On 24 September, the telephone exchange at Kuhfort was operated by about 20 soldiers who wore black-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia.

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9. On 16 September, the Kriegsschule Bornstedt at the intersection of Pappelallee and Kirschallee quartered about 800 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets, including some with officer candidate insignia. [redacted] 35 officer candidates wearing red-bordered black epaulets and carrying map pouches and 25 officer candidates wearing red-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia and black-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia, all marching from the barracks installation to Bornstedterfeld. Eight soldiers practiced with a JS tank there. Fifteen soldiers fired with pistols at practice targets from a field position north of the barracks installation.

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10. During the period from 12 to 16 September, the northern section of the Delius Kaserne was occupied by about 850 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery or motor transport insignia. On 12 September, 14 soldiers with signal equipment and aiming circle marched from the barracks installation. Troops engaged in pistol firing and athletic exercises in the billeting area on 15 September. Troops on Bornstedterfeld were seen engaged in submachine gun firing, telephone communication practice and driving practice with prime mover O-58-63.

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[redacted] During the period from 12 to 16 September, the southern section of the Delius Kaserne quartered a rear unit of 50 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery or motor transport insignia. Prime mover [redacted] drove into the installation.

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11. On 16 September, the Adolf Hitler Kaserne on Pappelallee was occupied by about 700 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Troops were engaged in physical exercises.

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[redacted] the Russian bank which was transferred from Potsdam-Bornstedt to the Hindenburg Kaserne, Wuensdorf, at the end of June and the beginning of July was to be transferred to Ruegen Island in the near future.

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[redacted] it can be concluded that no changes occurred regarding the distribution in Potsdam of the individual units and strength of troops in the individual installations.

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[redacted] The preparations in Krampnitz for the arrival of units of the 10th Gds Tank Div are confirmed by reports on transportation, according to which three troop shipments returned to Satz Korn from the Letzling Heath on 26 and 27 September 1952. Elements of the 63d Gds Tank Regt of the division mentioned above arrived in Brandenburg from the Letzling Heath on 25 and 27 September. [redacted] Brasnikov (fnu) is known as major general and commanding officer of the division, Lubyenko (fnu) who is reported for the first time, may be chief of staff of the division.

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[redacted] Comment. [redacted] an advance party of the 34th Arty Div (US) in the Ludendorff Kaserne at the beginning of September 1952. [redacted]
[redacted] The present observations make it appear possible that, upon completion of the training period, the division used the Ludendorff and Hohenlohe Kaserne for quarters which had been occupied by the 2d Gds AAA Div until 1952.

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